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Annual General Meeting 2006 Dinner & Talk on the "Three Gorges Project"

Date: August 20th (Sunday)

Time: 5:30 p.m. A.G.M.; 6:00 p.m. Reception;
6:30 p.m. Dinner and Talk on the "Three Gorges Project"

Venue: Shangri-La Convention Centre, 50 Esna Park Drive, Markham.
Tel. 905.475.6571

Cost: \$40 per adult, \$30 per child under 12.

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New board of directors for 2006 – 2007 will be elected at the A.G.M. All alumni and members are welcome to attend. Come with friends and family and enjoy the company of other alumni in a pleasant ambience at Shangri-La Banquet Hall.

We have invited Professor C.F. Lee as our guest of honour. Professor Lee is the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Hong Kong University and Chair Professor in Geotechnical Engineering. As an expert in engineering field, he also has a passion for Chinese culture and has served as a consultant to the "Three Gorges Project" in China. He will give a talk on the project and share his views on its impact on China's demographics, economy and culture.

Stay in Touch by Email

Do you know that we send email notices to alumni members regularly? If you haven't received one, please send your email address to Elza Lee (membership) at elzalee@graduate.hku.hk

Notice of Annual General Meeting

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong University Alumni Association of Ontario will be held on Sunday, the 20th day of August, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. at Shangri-La Banquet Hall, with the following business to be transacted:-

1. To receive and consider the Annual Report 2005 -2006;
2. To receive and consider the Treasurer's Report;
3. To elect directors or members of the Executive Committee of the Association for the year 2006/2007; and
4. To transact any other business.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any regular member in good standing shall be entitled to nominate another regular member in good standing to the Executive Committee and to be elected to the Executive Committee and to cast vote. Any such nomination should be faxed to the Association at 905.475.2494

Lily Lee, Secretary

By the order of the Board of Directors

Hong Kong University Alumni Association of Ontario

July 20th, 2006

Spring Dinner 2006



Spring dinner was held on February 12th, 2006 (Sunday) at Times Dynasty Restaurant, Richmond Hill. Professor Kwong-loi Shun, Vice-President & Principal, University of Toronto at Scarborough attended dinner as our guest speaker. He delivered a speech on higher education – comparing the university systems in Canada, U.S., Britain and post-colonial East Asia, with some relevance to the transition in Hong Kong. Audience found his speech informative and full of insight. Professor Shun is a distinguished scholar and had been a Professor of Confucian Philosophy at UC Berkeley prior to joining U of T in 2004.

To celebrate Chinese Valentine's Day (the 15th day of the first month) that happened to be the same day of Spring Dinner, we enjoyed a round of Chinese riddle. Lucky draw was held at the end and a lot of us went home with a smile and hands full.

Dinner Gathering with HKU Vice-chancellor



Our Association was honoured to have a dinner gathering with Professor Lap-chee Tsui, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, on June 28th at Ambassador Chinese Cuisine. Professor Tsui has been named a Giant of Science by University of Toronto on June 27th. A bronze statue in his honour was installed at the entrance of Terrence Donnelly Centre for Cellular and Biomolecular Research at U of T, along with other Canadian research giants, such as Dr. Best and Sir Frederick Banting.

The gathering was well attended by our directors, alumni and friends. Professor Tsui gave us an update on the development of our Alma Mater that includes the extension of a Centennial Campus (west of main campus) in order to provide more room and support for the development of HKU as a research-led university and the construction of a subway stop on campus.

A Walk in the Rouge Valley



On June 25th, our Association organized its first-ever outdoor activity in years!

We went for a two-hour walk in the Rouge Valley Conservation Area. Although the temperature was slightly on the warm side, we were greeted by a few breezes and sheltered by the woods along the way. For most of us who stay indoors for work and leisure, it was a great opportunity to enjoy the wilderness and to train up the cardio. This activity is free-of-charge and is open to the public. We hope to see you next time!

HKU Global Alumni Convention in Shanghai

To celebrate the 95th anniversary of HKU, there will be a Global Alumni Convention held in Shanghai, China from November 2nd to 5th, 2006. Anyone interested can contact Augustine Chan at 416.930.3666 or suzukirh.augustino@rogers.com



Hong Kong Gala and “Love in a Fallen City” Musical

Our association is a co-organizer of the Hong Kong Gala on April 25th and “Love in a Fallen City” musical on April 26th. It was a program hosted by Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office and co-organized by sixteen trade and community organizations in Ontario.

The Gala is to celebrate the contributions by people from Hong Kong to the community and economy of Ontario. It was attended by Honorary Senator Vivien Poy and greeted on video by Mayor David Miller who also named April 25th as Hong Kong Cultural and Heritage Day. This truly was a talk-of-the-town event as Hong Kong Repertory Theatre and other renowned artists such as Tony Leung Ka Fai, Louisa So and Alice Lau flew in from Hong Kong to attend the dinner and to give the musical performance in the following nights.

Love in a Fallen City is a short story written by Eileen Chang – a HKU alumna and one of the most important names in contemporary Chinese literature. Hong Kong Repertory Theatre gave this old-fashioned yet everlasting love story theme a modern touch with intermittent jazzy tunes sung by Alice Lau. The flawless performance was greeted by a standing ovation at the end.

